

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumés of Congressional Activity (July and August).

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3284–3289. **Page S5279**

Measures Reported:

Reported on Tuesday, August 30, during the adjournment:

Report to accompany S. 461, to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry. (S. Rept. No. 114–303)

Report to accompany S. 2509, to improve the Government-wide management of Federal property. (S. Rept. No. 114–304)

S. 2964, to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office. (S. Rept. No. 114–305)

S. 2967, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Office of Management and Budget to execute a national biodefense strategy, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–306)

S. 2971, to authorize the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–307)

S. 718, to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–308)

S. 1577, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of East Rosebud Creek in Carbon County, Montana, as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–309)

S. 1623, to establish the Maritime Washington National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–310)

S. 2360, to improve the administration of certain programs in the insular areas, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–311)

H.R. 1289, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California. (S. Rept. No. 114–312)

H.R. 2288, to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia. (S. Rept. No. 114–313)

H.R. 2615, to establish the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114–314)

S. 2319, to amend the Communications Act of 1934.

Reported on Tuesday, September 6:

S. 1167, to modify the boundaries of the Pole Creek Wilderness, the Owyhee River Wilderness, and the North Fork Owyhee Wilderness and to authorize the continued use of motorized vehicles for livestock monitoring, herding, and grazing in certain wilderness areas in the State of Idaho, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–315)

S. 1662, to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County, and the city of Freeport in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area. (S. Rept. No. 114–316)

S. 1690, to establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–317)

S. 1696, to redesignate the Ocmulgee National Monument in the State of Georgia, to revise the boundary of that monument, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–318)

S. 1777, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain or replace certain facilities and structures for commercial recreation services at Smith Gulch in Idaho, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–319)

S. 1930, to adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill. (S. Rept. No. 114–320)

S. 1943, to modify the boundary of the Shiloh National Military Park located in the State of Tennessee and Mississippi, to establish Parker's Crossroads Battlefield as an affiliated area of the National Park System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114-321)

S. 2018, to convey, without consideration, the reversionary interests of the United States in and to certain non-Federal land in Glennallen, Alaska. (S. Rept. No. 114-322)

S. 2087, to modify the boundary of the Fort Scott National Historic Site in the State of Kansas, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114-323)

S. 2177, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi. (S. Rept. No. 114-324)

S. 2223, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114-325)

S. 2412, to establish the Tule Lake National Historic Site in the State of California. (S. Rept. No. 114-326)

S. 2524, to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114-327)

S. 2608, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail". (S. Rept. No. 114-328)

S. 2620, to facilitate the addition of park administration at the Coltsville National Historical Park. (S. Rept. No. 114-329)

S. 2805, to modify the boundary of Voyageurs National Park in the State of Minnesota, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114-330)

S. 2839, to amend the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114-331)

S. 2954, to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-332)

S. 3020, to update the map of, and modify the acreage available for inclusion in, the Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-333)

S. 3027, to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-334)

H.R. 959, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the

Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi. (S. Rept. No. 114-335)

Report to accompany H.R. 1475, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance. (S. Rept. No. 114-336)

H.R. 2880, to redesignate the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site in the State of Georgia. (S. Rept. No. 114-337)

Report to accompany H.R. 3004, to amend the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114-338)

H.R. 3620, to amend the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act to provide access to certain vehicles serving residents of municipalities adjacent to the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. (S. Rept. No. 114-339)

H.R. 4119, to authorize the exchange of certain land located in Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jackson County, Mississippi, between the National Park Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114-340)

H.R. 4539, to establish the 400 Years of African-American History Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114-341)

S. 1818, to amend title 5, United States Code, to reform the rule making process of agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-342)

S. 1820, to require agencies to publish an advance notice of proposed rule making for major rules, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-343)

S. 2970, to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand law enforcement availability pay to employees of the Air and Marine Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. (S. Rept. No. 114-344)

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Measures Considered:

Department of Defense Appropriations Act: By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 136), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5293, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

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Water Resources Development Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2848, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to

proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, September 7, 2016.

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Conference Reports:

Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act: Senate resumed consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 135), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the conference report to accompany the bill.

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Appointments:

Evidence-Based Policymaking Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–140, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Evidence-Based Policymaking Commission: Kathleen B. Rice of Indiana (data minimization/personal-identifiable information expert), Robert J. Shea of Virginia (data expert with experience in administering programs), and Kenneth R. Troske of Kentucky (academic researcher/data expert).

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United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–292, as amended by Public Law 106–55, Public Law 107–228, and Public Law 112–75, appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Clifford D. May of Maryland, vice M. Zuhdi Jasser.

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National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: The Chair announced, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 110–315, the re-appointment of the following individuals to be members of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: Anne D. Neal of the District of Columbia and Richard F. O'Donnell of Colorado.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Abid Riaz Qureshi, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

41 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, and Navy.

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Messages from the House:

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Enrolled Bills Presented:

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Additional Statements:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—136)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:14 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5294.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 5931–5941; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 841–842, 845–846, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5578, to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–707, Part 1);

H.R. 3286, to encourage effective, voluntary private sector investments to recruit, employ, and retain men and women who have served in the United States military with annual presidential awards to private sector employers recognizing such efforts, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-708);

H.R. 3471, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of automobiles and adaptive equipment by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-709);

H.R. 3974, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide educational assistance to certain former members of the Armed Forces for education and training as physician assistants of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to establish pay grades and require competitive pay for physician assistants of the Department, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 114-710);

H.R. 3881, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-711);

H.R. 4245, to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, with amendments (H. Rept. 114-712, Part 1);

H.R. 5577, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-713);

H.R. 3839, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-714, Part 1);

H.R. 1157, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-715);

H.R. 3342, to provide for stability of title to certain lands in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114-716);

H.R. 3843, to authorize for a 7-year period the collection of claim location and maintenance fees, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-717, Part 1);

H.R. 4576, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and

Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-718);

H.R. 5468, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment obligations under Repayment Contracts between the United States and the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District (H. Rept. 114-719);

H. Res. 169, acknowledging and honoring brave young men from Hawaii who enabled the United States to establish and maintain jurisdiction in remote equatorial islands as prolonged conflict in the Pacific lead to World War II (H. Rept. 114-720);

S. 1579, to enhance and integrate Native American tourism, empower Native American communities, increase coordination and collaboration between Federal tourism assets, and expand heritage and cultural tourism opportunities in the United States (H. Rept. 114-721, Part 1);

S. 246, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-722);

H.R. 4850, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to exempt certain micro-offerings from the registration requirements of such Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-723);

H. Res. 843, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5063) to limit donations made pursuant to settlement agreements to which the United States is a party, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114-724);

H. Res. 844, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2357) to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Form S-3 so as to add listing and registration of a class of common equity securities on a national securities exchange as an additional basis for satisfying the requirements of General Instruction I.B.1. of such form and to remove such listing and registration as a requirement of General Instruction I.B.6. of such form, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5424) to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to amend its rules to modernize certain requirements relating to investment advisers, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114-725); and

H.R. 4852, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Regulation D relating to exemptions from registration requirements for certain sales of securities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114-726).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Whitfield, wherein he resigned as Representative for the First Congressional District of Kentucky, effective 6 p.m. on September 6, 2016.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:17 p.m. and reconvened at 4:01 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Gold Star Families Voices Act: H.R. 4511, to amend the Veterans' Oral History Project Act to allow the collection of video and audio recordings of biographical histories by immediate family members of members of the Armed Forces who died as a result of their service during a period of war;

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Survivors' Bill of Rights Act of 2016: H.R. 5578, to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 399 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 479;

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Making technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code: H.R. 2830, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code;

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Making technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions classified to chapters 44, 45, 46, and 47 of title 50, United States Code: H.R. 2831, amended, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions classified to chapters 44, 45, 46, and 47 of title 50, United States Code;

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Making technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 52, United States Code: H.R. 2832, amended, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 52, United States Code;

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Cooperative Management of Mineral Rights Act: H.R. 3881, amended, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote 395 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 480;

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Bolts Ditch Access and Use Act: H.R. 4510, amended, to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado;

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Fort Frederica National Monument Boundary Expansion Act: H.R. 3480, amended, to expand the

boundary of Fort Frederica National Monument in the State of Georgia;

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Fort Ontario Study Act: H.R. 4202, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York;

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Exempting importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973: H.R. 4245, amended, to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973."

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Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to establish a structure for visitor services on the Arlington Ridge tract, in the area of the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial: H.R. 4789, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a structure for visitor services on the Arlington Ridge tract, in the area of the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial;

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Innovation in Offshore Leasing Act: H.R. 5577, amended, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales; and

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Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act: H.R. 3839, amended, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Kentucky, Mr. Whitfield, the whole number of the House is 432.

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Expressing the profound sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Mark Takai: The House agreed to H. Res. 841, expressing the profound sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Mark Takai, a Representative from the State of Hawaii.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the late Honorable Mark Takai.

Pages H5071–72

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5071 and H5072. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and at 8:16 p.m., pursuant to House Resolution 841, the House stands adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Mark Takai.

Committee Meetings

ACCELERATING ACCESS TO CAPITAL ACT OF 2015; INVESTMENT ADVISERS MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2016; STOP SETTLEMENT SLUSH FUNDS ACT OF 2016

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2357, the “Accelerating Access to Capital Act of 2015”; H.R. 5424, the “Investment Advisers Modernization Act of 2016”; and H.R. 5063, the “Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2016”. The committee granted, by record vote of 9–2, a structured rule for H.R. 2357. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–62 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee also granted a structured rule for H.R. 5424. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order

against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only the further amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, if offered by the Member designated in the report, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–2, a structured rule for H.R. 5063. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodlatte, Chairman Price of Georgia, and Representatives Hurt, Maxine Waters of California, Johnson of Georgia, Rice of South Carolina, and Jackson Lee.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D763)

H.R. 636, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–190)

H.R. 3766, to direct the President to establish guidelines for covered United States foreign assistance programs. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–191)

H.R. 4372, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Rochester Street, Bergen, New York, as the Barry G. Miller Post Office. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–192)

H.R. 4960, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 525 N Broadway in Aurora, Illinois, as the “Kenneth M. Christy Post Office Building”. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–193)

S. 2845, to extend the termination of sanctions with respect to Venezuela under the Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–194)

S. 1252, to authorize a comprehensive strategic approach for United States foreign assistance to developing countries to reduce global poverty and hunger, achieve food and nutrition security, promote inclusive, sustainable, agricultural-led economic growth, improve nutritional outcomes, especially for women and children, build resilience among vulnerable populations. Signed on July 20, 2016. (Public Law 114–195)

H.R. 4875, to establish the United States Semiquincentennial Commission. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–196)

H.R. 5588, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2016, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–197)

S. 524, to authorize the Attorney General and Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to address the national epidemics of prescription opioid abuse and heroin use, and to provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–198)

S. 2840, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize COPS grantees to use grant funds for active shooter training. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–199)

H.R. 2607, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7802 37th Avenue in Jackson Heights, New York, as the “Jeanne and Jules Manford Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–200)

H.R. 3700, to provide housing opportunities in the United States through modernization of various

housing programs. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–201)

H.R. 3931, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 620 Central Avenue Suite 1A in Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, as the “Chief Petty Officer Adam Brown United States Post Office”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–202)

H.R. 3953, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4122 Madison Street, Elfers, Florida, as the “Private First Class Felton Roger Fussell Memorial Post Office”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–203)

H.R. 4010, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 522 North Central Avenue in Phoenix, Arizona, as the “Ed Pastor Post Office”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–204)

H.R. 4425, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 East Powerhouse Road in Colleeville, Minnesota, as the “Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–205)

H.R. 4747, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6691 Church Street in Riverdale, Georgia, as the “Major Gregory E. Barney Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–206)

H.R. 4761, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 61 South Baldwin Avenue in Sierra Madre, California, as the “Louis Van Iersel Post Office”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–207)

H.R. 4777, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1301 Alabama Avenue in Selma, Alabama as the “Amelia Boynton Robinson Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–208)

H.R. 4877, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3130 Grants Lake Boulevard in Sugar Land, Texas, as the “LCpl Garrett W. Gamble, USMC Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–209)

H.R. 4904, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue a directive on the management of software licenses. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–210)

H.R. 4925, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 229 West Main Cross Street, in Findlay, Ohio, as the “Michael Garver Oxley Memorial Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–211)

H.R. 4975, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5720 South 142nd Street in Omaha, Nebraska, as the “Petty Officer 1st

Class Caleb A. Nelson Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–212)

H.R. 4987, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3957 2nd Avenue in Laurel Hill, Florida, as the “Sergeant First Class William ‘Kelly’ Lacey Post Office”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–213)

H.R. 5028, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10721 E Jefferson Ave in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Mary E. McCoy Post Office Building”. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–214)

H.R. 5722, to establish the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–215)

S. 764, to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–216)

S. 2893, to reauthorize the sound recording and film preservation programs of the Library of Congress. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–217)

S. 3055, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a dental insurance plan to veterans and survivors and dependents of veterans. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–218)

S. 3207, to authorize the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to provide playback equipment in all formats. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–219)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the Administration’s proposal for a United Nations resolution on the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. Con. Res. 49, supporting efforts to stop the theft, illegal possession or sale, transfer, and export of tribal cultural items of Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians in the United States and internationally, S. 2711, to expand opportunity for Native American children through additional options in education, and S. 2959, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 2285, to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, S. 3234, to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion, and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, the Indian Trader Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian commu-

nities, S. 3261, to establish a business incubators program within the Department of the Interior to promote economic development in Indian reservation communities, and H.R. 4685, to take certain Federal lands located in Tulare County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Tule River Indian Tribe, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Walter David Counts, III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, Karen Gren Scholer, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas, and E. Scott Frost, James Wesley Hendrix, and Irma Carrillo Ramirez, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: to hold hearings to examine Veterans Health Administration best practices, focusing on exploring the Diffusion of Excellence initiative, 2:30 p.m., SR–418.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine securing America’s retirement future, focusing on the Bipartisan Policy Center’s recommendations to boost savings, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “Deferred Maintenance in the Nuclear Security Enterprise: Safety and Mission Risks”, 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation: Scoring Assumptions and Real-World Implications”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled “Federal Power Act: Historical Perspectives”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “Federal Reserve Districts: Governance, Monetary Policy, and Economic Performance”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “The Growing Crisis in South Sudan”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Judgment Fund: Iran, Big Settlements, and the Lack of Transparency”, 10:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3764, the “Tribal Recognition Act of 2015”; H.R. 4564, the “Robert Emmet Park Act of 2016”; H.R. 5032, to allow certain property in the town of Louisa, Virginia, to be used for purposes related to compliance with water quality standards, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5259, the “Certainty for States and Tribes Act”, 5 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General’s Military Whistleblower Reprisal Investigations”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space, hearing entitled “Commercial Remote Sensing: Facilitating Innovation and Leadership”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Ensuring Opportunities: Oversight of the HUBZone Program”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation; and Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, joint hearing entitled “Federal Maritime Navigation Programs: Interagency Cooperation and Technological Change”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, business meeting on possible motions to subpoena information from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and hearing entitled “From Tumult to Transformation: The Commission on Care and the Future of the VA Healthcare System”, 10:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing entitled “Unemployment Insurance: An Overview of the Challenges and Strengths of Today’s System”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Evolution of Quality in Medicare Part A”, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 7 through September 9,
2016

Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 7, to hold hearings to examine the Administration’s proposal for a United Nations resolution on the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, 10 a.m., SD-419.

September 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Pakistan, focusing on challenges for United States interests, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 8, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine reviewing independent agency rulemaking, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: September 7, business meeting to consider S. Con. Res. 49, supporting efforts to stop the theft, illegal possession or sale, transfer, and export of tribal cultural items of Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians in the United States and internationally, S. 2711, to expand opportunity for Native

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September 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2763, to provide the victims of Holocaust-era persecution and their heirs a fair opportunity to recover works of art confiscated or misappropriated by the Nazis, S. 3155, to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title, S. 3270, to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system’s response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases, and the nominations of Danny C. Reeves, of Kentucky, and Charles R. Breyer, of California, both to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, Kathleen Marie Sweet, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Florence Y. Pan, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: September 7, to hold hearings to examine Veterans Health Administration best practices, focusing on exploring the Diffusion of Excellence initiative, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 8, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: September 7, to hold hearings to examine securing America’s retirement future, focusing on the Bipartisan Policy Center’s recommendations to boost savings, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services, September 8, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled “Views on H.R. 4298: Vietnam Helicopter Crew Memorial Act

and H.R. 5458: Veteran's TRICARE Choice Act", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 8, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Examining Legislation to Improve Public Health", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 8, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Rural Call Quality and Reliability", 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 9, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "An Examination of Federal Mental Health Parity Laws and Regulations", 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, September 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Fueling Terror: The Dangers of Ransom Payments to Iran", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, September 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Reforming the National Security Council: Efficiency and Accountability", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 8, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and the Subcommittee on Energy of the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, joint hearing entitled "Eastern Mediterranean Energy: Challenges and Opportunities for U.S. Regional Priorities", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 8, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled "Asia's Growing Hunger for Energy: U.S. Policy and Supply Opportunities", 3 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, September 8, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled "State and Local Perspectives on Federal Information Sharing", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3438, the "Require Evaluation before Implementing Executive Wishlists Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

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Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, September 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining FOIA Compliance at the Department of State", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 9, Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Response to the Baton Rouge Flood Disaster", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, September 8, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access, hearing entitled "Struggling to Grow: Assessing the Challenges for Small Businesses in Rural America", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, September 8, Full Committee, markup on a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a demonstration program to provide integrated care for Medicare beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease, and for other purposes; and H.R. 954, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the individual mandate certain individuals who had coverage under a terminated qualified health plan funded through the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (CO-OP) program, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: September 8, to hold hearings to examine Federal debt, focusing on direction, drivers, and dangers, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Conference: September 8, meeting of conferees on S. 2012, to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH CONGRESS

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January 4 through July 31, 2016

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	103	93	..
Time in session	591 hrs., 20'	461 hrs., 15'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,205	5,039	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,170	..
Public bills enacted into law	39	65	104
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	3	3	..
Measures passed, total	304	405	709
Senate bills	60	41	..
House bills	64	276	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	1	..
House joint resolutions	1	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	10	5	..
House concurrent resolutions	9	18	..
Simple resolutions	159	63	..
Measures reported, total	*196	317	513
Senate bills	138	6	..
House bills	25	259	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	4	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	5	..
Simple resolutions	29	46	..
Special reports	9	2	..
Conference reports	2	2	..
Measures pending on calendar	356	89	..
Measures introduced, total	1,088	1,945	3,033
Bills	848	1,618	..
Joint resolutions	10	18	..
Concurrent resolutions	24	43	..
Simple resolutions	206	266	..
Quorum calls .....	..	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	134	184	..
Recorded votes	293	..
Bills vetoed	1	3	..
Vetoes overridden

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DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 4 through July 31, 2016

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Confirmed		73
Unconfirmed		225
Withdrawn		11
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Measures pending on calendar	367	89	..
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Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 7

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 7

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 506—Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2016 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of measures under suspension of the rules.

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